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I. How important is an Aegean military balance to deterring a Greek-Turkish conflict? Leegea

A. What constitutes "balance" in the Eastern Mediterranean? How has it evolved in recent years?

- B. How do Greece and Turkey view attempts at evenhandedness by the US and others providing these Aegean neighbors military aid?
- C. How has the pursuit of an Aegean military balance affected the region's stability? How has the notion of a fixed ratio between Greek and Turkish military aid levels influenced prospects for hostilities?
- D. What alternatives to a Greek-Turkish military balance exist? How would adoption of any of these options shape regional relations?
- II. How has the balance between the Greek and the Turkish Armed Forces changed? What has caused this change?
 - A. How do the two sides' military forces compare? What are their predominant strengths and weaknesses?
 - B. What has either Greece or Turkey done to maintain or to upset a military balance between themselves? How does each assess the other's military capabilities and intentions?
 - C. How has outside military assistance affected the regional military balance? What shift(s) in emphasis do Greece and Turkey attribute either to the US or to other providers of military aid?
- III. How will the existing military balance (or imbalance) reduce or increase the likelihood of war between Greece and Turkey?
 - A. How have the nations' political leaders reacted to the status quo? What have military planners done either to compensate for or to take advantage of perceived military balance changes? How have troop dispositions or readiness postures been affected?
 - B. How has the handling of normally routine border incidents or usually contentious bilateral differences changed? Which issue(s) dividing Greece and Turkey now run(s) an increased risk of erupting into open conflict because of the present military balance (or imbalance)?
 - C. What external factors could forestall military operations by either side under existing conditions? How has US/NATO leverage to influence the situation been affected?
 - IV. How is the balance (or imbalance) likely to change over the next several years?
 - A. What increases in defense spending are projected through the end of 1989?

 What major weapons systems will have been fielded during that same timeframe

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 by either side? Conversely, where are defense funding shortfalls expected,
 and how will these translate into equipment or training deficiencies?
- B. How will domestic political requirements in either country (or on Cyprus) influence the general military postures of the Greek and Turkish Armed Forces?
- C. What are the chances that actions in or by international fora will result in the endorsement of either Greece's or Turkey's position on a subject dividing the two? What issues are most likely to be the focus of such action and how will this affect the military and political balance (or further imbalance) between the two?
- V. How have US and NATO interests been affected by constraints placed on military aid to Greece and Turkey?
 - A. How has the practice of observing a fixed ratio between Greek and Turkish military aid levels contributed to or weakened NATO's defense posture?

 What effect has this practice had on NATO's larger strategy vis-a-vis the Soviet Union?
 - B. How would alteration of the existing fixed ratio between Greek and Turkish military aid levels affect US basing rights in either country? How would a restructured approach to the provision of military aid, including the replacement of a fixed aid ratio with some other means of ensuring peace between Greece and Turkey, affect the US military presence in either country? What would a reduction in aid to both countries produce?